

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the following paragraph for the abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification:

-- ~~The invention relates to a~~ A beverage can ~~[[with]]~~ has a protective cover, ~~a blank for it, as well as a method and device for application of a protective cover to the lid area of a beverage can, wherein the protective cover is made of embossed aluminum foil. An essentially flat blank of the embossed aluminum foil, while covering at least the can lid, is brought into contact with the beverage can and, while being shaped in a ductile manner, is molded to at least the can lid. The cans, while in an upright position, are conveyed with a conveyor apparatus beneath a placement apparatus for blanks made of embossed aluminum foil, which apparatus places the blanks onto the top area of the cans while passing them, at least partially, against the lid area and/or the can edge.~~ --